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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Executive Director  
Deputy Director for Administration

FROM: [REDACTED] STAT  
Director of Security

SUBJECT: The SIGNA Society

1. This memorandum is for information only.

2. Based on information from [REDACTED] it is my understanding that you have agreed to address the Ninth Annual Convention of SIGNA in the Agency auditorium at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, 7 October 1982. [REDACTED], current president of the SIGNA and former Director of Security for CIA, has asked that I express his appreciation for your acceptance of the Society's invitation. The convention, drawing members from throughout the United States, will be held 7-8 October 1982. STAT

3. The SIGNA Society, established in April 1970, is an organization composed of retired CIA security officers. It has a current membership in excess of 250. Its current president was Director of Security from 1975 to 1980. The Society, which by charter is nonprofit and nonpolitical, is most supportive of the Agency and assiduously defends it. STAT

4. In view of the composition of the audience, it is suggested you provide some general comments on the current health of CIA and a forecast for the immediate future. Additional topics of interest may be:

- Role of the alumnus to the intelligence mission.
- The Administration's strong stance on the importance of security.
- The recently signed legislation on the protection of identities of those under cover.
- Extended use of the polygraph.
- Leaks.

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5. I am confident that you will find the SIGNA members a most appreciative and responsive audience. I am certain they will be honored and gratified by your presence at and contribution to their convention.

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